GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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RESTRUCTURING OF SEBS
ANANT GANGARAM GEETE

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to have a relook at the Power Sector in the light of the recent strike by the employees of U.P. State Electricity Board; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : The recent power strike in Uttar Pradesh has focused attention of the country on the need for accelerating reforms in the power sector.

Government of India gave full support to the Government of Uttar Pradesh in maintaining reasonable power supply during the period of strike in Uttar Pradesh.

Government of India is extending full support to states which are undertaking reforms as it believes that reforms in the power sector are now imperative. Unless reforms are implemented quickly, it may be difficult to even maintain the present quality of power supply leave alone improve it.